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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN DELEGATION VISITS GUATEMALA

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1. AMBASSADOR SAW FONMIN MOLINA SEPTEMBER 4 AT OUR REQUEST AND FONMIN VOLUNTEERED THAT NORTH KOREA DELEGATION HAD VISITED GUATEMALA (HE DID NOT SAY WHEN, BUT HE IMPLIES IT WAS RECENTLY). MOLINA SAID HE HAD REFUSED SEE THEM AND HAD INSTRUCTED THEY BE RECEIVED AT DIRECTOR (ASSISTANT SECRETARY) LEVEL. AMBASSADOR NOTED DELEGATION HAD BEEN EXPELLED FROM COSTA RICA THREE WEEKS AGO. FONMIN SAID THEY HAD APPLIED FOR THEIR GUATEMALAN VISAS IN ARGENTINA.

2. MOLINA SAID NORTH KOREANS HAD SOUGHT (A) SUPPORT FOR WITHDRAWAL OF UN FORCES FROM SOUTH KOREA, (B) OPPOSITION TO SEATING OF ROK IN UN ON GROUNDS IT
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WOULD BE SETBACK FOR REUNIFICATION NEGOTIATIONS, (C)

DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION BY GUATEMALA. NORTH KOREANS OFFERED,
APPARENTLY AS QUID-PRO-QUO, SUPPLY GUATEMALA
WITH BADLY NEEDED FERTILIZER (QUANTITY UNSPECIFIED
BY MOLINA). FONMIN SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF OFFER
HAD STRINGS ATTACHED BUT WOULD BE SURPRISED IF IT DIDN'T.

3. FONMIN COMMENTED THAT GUATEMALA RECOGNIZES ROK AND
THAT IT EXPECTED EXCHANGE CHARGES D'AFFAIRES IN DUE COURSE.
THERE IS NO PLAN TO RECOGNIZE NORTH KOREA. HE ASKED FOR
AND WAS GIVEN CURRENT US POSITION ON PONTS (A) AND (B) ABOVE.
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